

# FACILITIES IN KINGS CANYON PARK & USFS

## Grant Grove Area

### GRANT GROVE VILLAGE

6600' (2008 m) elevation. This was originally General Grant National Park, created in 1890 to protect sequoias from logging. Here are both a pristine grove & one that was logged in the 1800s.

#### INFORMATION

- **Kings Canyon Park Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 9am-4:30pm. Exhibits & movie in English & Spanish. Books, maps, first aid, bear canisters. Local wilderness permits issued up to ½- hour before closing. 1-559-565-4307. Pay telephone outside.

#### FOOD & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** Daily 9am-2pm & 5-7pm (8pm on Friday-Saturday).
- **Market, Gift Shop, & Cross-Country Skis & Snowshoe Rental:** Daily 9am-6pm (7pm on Friday-Saturday). Supplies, food, snow-play toys, film, clothing, sandwiches, bear canisters, and cans of emergency gasoline. ATM. Ski & snowshoe rentals begin when enough snow covers the ground.

#### OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping & Lodging:** See page 10-11. Lodge front desk 7am-10pm, 559-335-5500.
- **Post Office:** Hours may vary. Monday-Friday 9am-3:30 pm; Saturday 10-noon. Lobby open 24 hours. Send mail for visitors c/o General Delivery, Kings Canyon NP, CA 93633. 1-559-335-2499.
- **Stables/Horseback Riding:** Details on page 3. Closed for winter.
- **Pay Telephones:** Available 24 hours at Kings Canyon Visitor Center (booth by front door); & outside gift shop, market, & post office. They use calling cards only.

## In the Kings Canyon

*Highway 180 is closed from the Hume Lake Road junction into the canyon due to regular, heavy rockfall that occurs once temperatures drop. CalTrans reopens it in mid-April.*

### CEDAR GROVE VILLAGE - Closed for the season

4600' (1410 m) elevation. This glaciated valley features towering granite cliffs, tumbling waterfalls, and the powerful Kings River.



## Paying Your Entrance Fee at Kings Canyon in Grant Grove

Stop at the kiosk in front of the Kings Canyon Visitor Center in Grant Grove to purchase the required park and forest entrance fee or show your pass.

One fee covers your visit to *both* Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks *and* to Sequoia National Forest!

## USFS: National Forest & Monument HUME LAKE & BIG MEADOWS AREAS (FS)

Giant Sequoia National Monument, part of Sequoia National Forest, borders much of the western edge of these National Parks. You are in National Forest when you drive between park areas Lodgepole and Grant Grove, and between Grant Grove and Cedar Grove (see page 2, Parks and Forests). Sold to the government as a Forest Reserve in 1935, it is an excellent place to see sequoias recovering from intensive logging in the late 1800s.

#### PAY TELEPHONES

Cell-phone signals are usually poor. Calling cards may be required.

- **Between Wuksachi Village & Grant Grove:** Summer only at Stony Creek Resort & Big Meadows trailhead.
- **Between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove:** Hume Lake (year round; see *Hume Lake* below); Kings Canyon Lodge (summer only).

#### INFORMATION

- **USFS Hume Lake District Office (FS):** 35860 E. Kings Canyon Road (Hwy 180) in Dunlap, 19 miles (31 km) west of Kings Canyon park entrance at Big Stump. Open 8am-4:30pm weekdays. Maps & books sold. 1-559-338-2251; [www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia](http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia).

#### LODGING & OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping (FS) & Lodging (private):** See pages 10 & 11 for details.
- **Montecito Lake Resort (FS permittee):** Open all year. A resort on public land. On Generals Highway 9 miles (14.5km) south of Grant Grove. Breakfast 8-9am, lunch 12-1pm, dinner 6-7pm. Cabins, hotel, activities. 1-800-227-9900 or 1-559-565-3388.
- **Hume Lake:** Year-round private facilities open to public: 24-hour laundry (coin operated) & gas station (with credit card). Market & snack shop. North of Grant Grove 8 miles (13km) on Hwy 180 then right on Hume Lake Road 3 miles (5km). 1-559-335-2000.
- **Boyden Cavern:** Closed for the season. Reopens when Highway 180 opens in spring. On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. Daily tours, gift shop. 1-559-338-0959.
- **Stony Creek Village (FS):** Closed for the season. On Generals Highway south of Grant Grove. 1-866-KCANYON; 1-559-565-3909.

#### GASOLINE SALES on FOREST LANDS

- At Hume Lake year-round; Stony Creek and Kings Canyon Lodge late spring through early fall. See page 3 for details.

## FREE NATURE PROGRAMS

### IN GRANT GROVE

Evening programs: Join us in the John Muir Lodge lobby. Time and topics vary, so check at the visitor center or on bulletin boards for details.

Snowshoe walks begin 12/26, conditions permitting.

- Grant Tree Walks start again in spring.